

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 - 25, inclusive (cancelled)

Claims 26 - 32, inclusive (cancelled)

Claim 33 (previously amended)

*21* A dressing mechanism comprising: a first section, a second section, and a third section; the first section being coupled to the second section and the second section being coupled to the third section; the second section comprising an elastic material; the first section and the third section each having a first side; and a predetermined portion of the first side including an adhesive located thereon; the first section and the third section being laminated materials comprising a first layer, a second intermediate layer, and a third layer; the third layer including the first side and wherein the second section includes a first margin and a second margin; the first section includes a first channel located between the first layer and the third layer of the first section for receiving the first margin; and the third section includes a second channel located between the first layer and the third layer of the third section for receiving the second margin; the second intermediate layer comprising an adhesive material; the first margin and the second margin respectively including at least one opening; the first margin engaging the second intermediate layer in the first channel and the adhesive material extending through the opening of the first margin; and the second margin engaging the second intermediate layer in the second channel and the adhesive material extending through the opening of the second margin.

Claim 34 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 33 wherein the first and third layer of the first section and the first and third layer of the third section comprise an inelastic material.

Claim 35 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 34 wherein the inelastic material is a polyester.

Claim 36 (previously amended)

A dressing mechanism comprising: a first section, a second section, and a third section; the first section being coupled to the second section and the second section being coupled to the third section; the first section and the third section comprising an elastic material; the first section and the third section each having a first side; and a predetermined portion of the first side including an adhesive located thereon; and wherein the second section includes at least a first margin and a

second margin; the first section being integral to the second section at the first margin; and the third section being integral to the second section at the second margin.

Claim 37 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 36 wherein the second section includes at least one opening.

Claim 38 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 37 wherein the opening is of a predetermined size.

Claim 39 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 36 wherein the first section and the third section each include at least one opening comprising a predetermined shape.

Claim 40 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 39 wherein the openings of predetermined shape are spatially organized in a predetermined manner respective to each other.

Claim 41 (cancelled)

Claim 42 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 36 wherein the second section is a laminated material comprising at least a first layer, a second intermediate layer, and a third layer; the third layer including the first side.

Claim 43 (currently amended)

A dressing mechanism comprising: a first section, a second section, and a third section; the first section being coupled to the second section and the second section being coupled to the third section; the first section and the third section comprising an elastic material; the first section and the third section each having a first side; a predetermined portion of the first side including an adhesive located thereon; and wherein the second section is a laminated material comprising at least a first layer, a second intermediate layer, and a third layer; the third layer including the first side; the first section and the third section include a first section margin and a third section margin; the second section including at least one channel located between the first layer and the third layer of the second section for receiving the margins; the second intermediate layer comprising an adhesive material; the first section margin and the second section margin respectively including at least one opening; the margins engaging the second intermediate layer in the channel and the adhesive

material extending through the openings of the margins; ~~and the adhesive material extending through the openings of the margins.~~

Cont. Claim 44 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 43 wherein the first and third layer of the second section comprises an inelastic material.

Claim 45 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 44 wherein the inelastic material is a polyester.

Claim 46 (previously amended)

The dressing mechanism of claim 43 wherein the second section includes at least one opening.

Claim 47 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 36 wherein the second section includes at least one generally transparent section.

Claim 48 (currently amended)

The A dressing mechanism of claim 36 comprising: a first section, a second section, and a third section; the first section being coupled to the second section and the second section being coupled to the third section; the first section and the third section comprising an elastic material; the first section and the third section each having a first side; and a predetermined portion of the first side including an adhesive located thereon; and wherein the second section includes at least a first margin and a second margin; the first section being integral to the second section at the first margin; and the third section being integral to the second section at the second margin and wherein the second section includes at least one wound irrigation mechanism.

Claim 49 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 36 where the second section comprises a first side and a second side; the second side capable of contacting a wound.

Claim 50 (original)

The dressing mechanism of claim 49 wherein the second side comprises a medicinal material.

Claim 51 (original)

The medicinal material of claim 50 comprising zinc chromate.

Claim 52 (original)

The medicinal material of claim 50 comprising zinc chromate impregnated in a hydrocolloid material.

Claim 53 (original)

The medicinal material of claim 50 comprising an alginate.

Claim 54 (original)

The alginate of claim 53 comprising one of the group consisting of calcium alginate and sodium alginate.

Claims 55 - 103, inclusive (cancelled)

Claims 104 and 105 (cancelled)

Claim 106 (previously added)

The dressing of claim 33 wherein the second section includes a plurality of openings.

Claim 107 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 106 wherein the openings are of a predetermined size.

Claim 108 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 106 wherein the openings are of a predetermined shape.

Claim 109 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 108 wherein the openings of predetermined shape are spatially organized in a predetermined manner respective to each other.

Claim 110 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 43 wherein the second section includes at least one generally transparent section.

Claim 111 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 43 wherein the second section includes at least one wound irrigation mechanism.

Claim 112 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 43 wherein the second section comprises a first side and a second side; the second side capable of contacting a wound.

Claim 113 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 112 wherein the second side comprises a medicinal material.

Claim 114 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 113 wherein the medicinal material comprises zinc chromate.

Claim 115 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 113 wherein the medicinal material comprises zinc chromate impregnated in a hydrocolloid material.

Claim 116 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 113 wherein the medicinal material comprises an alginate.

Claim 117 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 116 wherein the alginate comprises one of the group consisting of calcium alginate and sodium alginate.

Claim 118 (previously amended)

A dressing mechanism comprising: a first section, a second section, and a third section; the first section being coupled to the second section and the second section being coupled to the third section; the second section comprising an elastic material; the first section and the third section each having a first side; and a predetermined portion of the first side including an adhesive located thereon; and wherein the second section includes a first linear margin and a second linear margin; the first section being integral to the second section at the first margin; and the third section being integral to the second section at the second margin; and wherein the second section includes a plurality of openings.

Claim 119 (cancelled).

Claim 120 (previously amended)

The dressing of claim 118 wherein the openings are of a predetermined size.

Claim 121 (previously amended)

The dressing of claim 118 wherein the openings are of a predetermined shape.

Claim 122 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim of claim 121 wherein the openings of predetermined shape are spatially organized in a predetermined manner respective to each other.

Claim 123 (deleted)

Claim 124 (previously added)

31 The dressing mechanism of claim 118 wherein the first section and the third section are laminated materials comprising a first layer, a second intermediate layer, and a third layer; the third layer including the first side.

Claim 125 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 118 wherein the first section and the third section are laminated materials comprising a first layer and a second layer; the second layer including the first side.

Claim 126 (previously added)

The dressing mechanism of claim 33 wherein the second section includes at least one generally transparent section.

Claim 127 (new)

A dressing mechanism comprising: a first section, a second section, and a third section; the first section being coupled to the second section and the second section being coupled to the third section; the first section and the third section comprising an elastic material; the first section and the third section each having a first side; and a predetermined portion of the first side including an adhesive located thereon; and wherein the second section includes at least a first linear margin and a second linear margin; the first section being integral to the second section at the first linear margin; and the third section being integral to the second section at the second linear margin.

Claim 128 (new)

The dressing mechanism of claim 127 wherein the second section includes at least one opening.

Claim 129 (new)

The dressing mechanism of claim 128 wherein the opening is of a predetermined size.

Claim 130 (new)

The dressing mechanism of claim 127 wherein the first section and the third section each include at least one opening comprising a predetermined shape.

Claim 131 (new)

The dressing mechanism of claim 130 wherein the openings of predetermined shape are spatially organized in a predetermined manner respective to each other.

Claim 132 (new)

21 The dressing mechanism of claim 127 wherein the second section is a laminated material comprising at least a first layer, a second intermediate layer, and a third layer; the third layer including the first side.

Claim 133 (new)

The dressing mechanism of claim 127 where the second section comprises a first side and a second side; the second side capable of contacting a wound.

Claim 134 (new)

The dressing mechanism of claim 133 wherein the second side comprises a medicinal material.

Claim 135 (new)

The medicinal material of claim 134 comprising zinc chromate.

Claim 136 (new)

The medicinal material of claim 134 comprising zinc chromate impregnated in a hydrocolloid material.

Claim 137 (new)

The medicinal material of claim 134 comprising an alginate.

Claim 138 (new)

The alginate of claim 137 comprising one of the group consisting of calcium alginate and sodium alginate.

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